Mr. Srinivasa Rao.—Local subjects must be brought up for discussion in the Assembly as otherwise it will not be possible to have sufficient attention bestowed on them.

Mr. Venkatakrishnaiya.—Important subjects even though local should be brought up at the Assembly.

(*c*) *Mr. Srinivasa Rao.*—Representative Assembly members will be able to take part in the discussion of the Budget estimates within a few years, even when the matters involved are intricate. Whatever powers may be granted to non-officials must first be granted to the Assembly.

Reply of Government.—Noted for consideration.

SUBJECT No. 172.

Grant of railway concession to Representative Assembly Members.

Mr. Lingappa, Chitaldrug municipality.

Withdrawn as the concession has been given.

SUBJECT No. 173.

An additional sitting of the Representative Assembly.

Messrs. C. Srinivasa Rao, Chikmagalur taluk and Agali Venkataramiah, Sira taluk.

Summary of discussion.—On the unanimous opinion expressed by the members of the Representative Assembly to the effect that the second meeting of the Representative Assembly in every year six months after the Dasara should be held either at Bangalore or at Mysore, the Government promised that the proposal would receive due consideration. It is again prayed that the above proposal be sanctioned.

Mr. C. Srinivasa Rao.—Such meetings have a great educative effect on the people. For a second session no *batta* or fare need be paid.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 174.

Reduction and classification of Representative Assembly subjects.

(1) Mr. K. Krishnamurti Rao, Magadi taluk,

(2) Mr. C. Srinivasa Rao, Chikmagalur taluk, and

(3) Mr. S. Venkatesaiya, Hassan District Agricultural and Industrial Association.

Summary of discussion.—The increase in the number of subjects brought up for discussion in the Representative Assembly is due to increase in the difficulties of the people and to lack of prompt redress from officers. Restricting the number of subjects to 75 for the Bangalore and Mysore districts and 50 for the other districts is restricting the privileges granted to the people by those who established the Assembly. The restriction tends to stultify proper representation and detracts from the character of the Assembly as a training ground to the people.

It is therefore prayed that either the restriction be removed, or if it is feared that it would take a very long time to go through a large number of subjects, a second session of the Assembly may be convened instead of a single continuous long session.

2. It is requested that the number of Representative Assembly subjects be not restricted as has now been done and that subjects may not be classified by

Government as "important" and "ordinary" before hearing the proposers.

3. The rules of debate in the Assembly as well as the subject regarding the restriction on the number of subjects may be reconsidered by a committee with adequate non-official representation.

Reply of Government.—It is too early to change the rules.

SUBJECT No. 175.

Pay of public servants.

(*a*) Messrs. Hutchaveere Gowda, Gubbi taluk, (*b*) B. Hanumappa, G. Rajappa and G. Siddavirappa, Bangalore City Municipal Council; (*c*) Mr. Amble Anniah Pandit, Mysore City Municipal Council; (*d*) Mr. M. Venkatakrishniah, Mysore City Municipal Council; and (*e*) Mr. Sitaramaiya Mandya taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) Scarcity of rainfall is threatening this country with famine year after year. The ill-paid Government officials of the Revenue Department find it very hard to maintain themselves. It is therefore, prayed that the Government may be pleased to grant them some increase of pay.

(*b*) It is prayed that the pay of public servants drawing less than Rs. 25 a month may be revised and some allowance granted to those whose salary is below Rs. 30.

The pay of the menials in the Revenue Department may be raised by Rs. 2, as has been done in the case of the Police Department.

(*c*) It is requested that the pay of peons in the district headquarters may be raised to Rs. 7 and 8.

(*d*) Peons on Rs. 6 and Rs. 7 are made to do clerical work in taluks. The pay of such peons (*junardars*) may be raised to Rs. 12 and their designation changed to assistant *gumastas*, assistant *munshis* and assistant accountants. Deputy *gumastas* and deputy *munshis* may be given Rs. 20 a month. *Gollars* may be made to give security to the extent of Rs. 50 and their pay raised to Rs. 10. The pay of the excise special *shroffs* at Mysore, Bangalore and Bowringpet may be raised to Rs. 25 by annual increments of Re. 1 as they have to furnish a security of Rs. 500.

(*e*) It is prayed that the pay of taluk *junardars* (literate peons) and *gollars* may be raised to Rs. 10 a month.

Reply of Government.—Is being done as far as possible. Grain compensation allowances provide for temporary stress. Taluk and district establishments have recently been revised.

Individual cases of hardship will be considered.

SUBJECT No. 176.

Abolition of the *supari* cess.

Mr. C. Srinivasa Rao, Chikmagalur taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The *supari* cess may be abolished as it is an inequitable tax and as the purpose for which it was levied is supposed to have been completely served.

Mr. C. Srinivasa Rao.—*Koleroga* is not peculiar to *supari* owners. The cess cannot therefore be justified.

Reply of Government.—Noted.